LANDS AND THEIR PRODUCTS EN-HANCED IN VALUE.

Higher Prices for What the Farmer Has to Sell Have Accompanied the Prosperity Brought About by the Restoration of the Protection Pol-

It is some years now since the free England and elsewhere. Under the advanced from 15 to 29 per cent over price of good average farms of 5, other country. 10, 15 and 20 per cent, and in a few instances running considerably highcr. In Delaware the upward tendency

turing town is, of course, of no value country. unless the inhabitants of that com- . The wage earners of Massachusetts

EVERY TOOTH A SOUND ONE.

FARMERS AND TARIFF the working classes, and there to plenty of money to loan at 5 per cent on satisfactory security.

Thus it is that protection helps and financial situation, at the same time that it defends our industries and enables our great mass of citizena whether at work on the farm or in the factory, to become independent and well to do. It must ever be one of the greatest reasons given in favor of a continuation of our protective policy that the benefits it bestows are widespread and universal. There is not a trader has abandoned his wailings building up in one state or one section over the abandoned farms of New of the country; there is no benefit to he bestowed upon any one branch of most beneficent influences of the Ding- industry; all share and share alike, ley law, farm lands all over the en- and each, helps the other in one tire country have been increasing in great interdependent endless chain of value, and, according to inquiries re-communication. So it is that when cently made by the American Agric we have work for all, then the mouths culturist the prices of farms through- are filled and the bodies are clothed, out New England and the East have and the houses are built, and the luxuries are consumed, taxing every prodthe values of five years ago. In all ductive institution in the country; taxmost every state where investigations ing our transportation facilities to were made throughout New England, their utmost, and keeping busy our New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania avenues of distribution and calling and Maryland, the reports show an into employment our great body of upward average tendency of about clerical laborers, all in turn, contrib-10 per cent, and in single in uting by their consuming power and stances far more. In no case purchasing ability to the common found, and although in a few cases a condition should be let alone as the roports showed no particular long as prosperity and employment change in value, yet in most cases continue to be at the highest level were any decline in values weal of all, Surely such a policy, such there were evidences of a gain in the ever known, not only in this, but any

#### Labor's Prosperity.

has almost reached the nature of a show the great increase in wages that his being of some value to the world; It has always been one of the princi- state of Massachusetts, are of general old of life he has no controlling moral pal tenets of the protectionist that interest because there is no reason to principle, he is like a chip on the surthe value of farm lands and farm regard the condition of wage-earners face of a freshet-that is, he may, if products are enhanced according to in that State as exceptional. It is he has rare good fortune, reach the their proximity to a manufacturing beyond doubt an example of a condi- sea, or he may be thrown on the bank center. The closeness to a manufaction that prevails throughout the at any turn of the current.

real happiness.

Let us be clear on this point. Peoent protective tariff, and in conse- (heir total wages in the previous year, ple are apt to talk about "filthy living. lucre." But do not be led astray. the soul that seeks it filthy. It is your the putting in or more time, in 1902 in the thought that you will want for greater brightness and beauty. good with it.

The business of the world is closely portant. If the consecrating hands of their dealings and keep their con-

sciences in good trim. This, then, is the advice we offer: jet your ambition run high, and seek ts realization by hard work, but remember that it is a man's soul and not his pocketbook which goes to seaven. You can get on without riches f need be, but you cannot get on without a clean conscience. Make noney, but do not worship it. Pay a good price for it, but not more than t is worth. Honest dollars hurt no one, but dishonest gains are a consumng fire.-Rev. George H. Hepworth.

# RELIGIOUS TOPICS

#### Unanswered.

"Is that God's ribbon in the sky To the the worlds together?" A sweet child asked, On seeing Nature's rainbow belt Worn after rainy weather; 'Or is it some of heaven's light A-peopling through the floor r at an open door? wish I knew,

She paused a moment, She paused a moment, Wondered, thought, Then, with a long-drawn sigh, Was heard the old, old cry, "I wish God told us more Elizabeth Porter Gould.

# Quiet hour

#### The Value of Money.

There is a word to be said to young men; not a barsh word, but a word of friendly and kindly counsel.

If a young man is equipped with the Statistics just published, which right ideas the chances are in favor of has come during the year 1902 in the but if when he stands on the thresh-

It is impossible, therefore, to exaggerate the necessity of a fine equipment, because the fate of the soul, long after this life has ended, may depend on it. While it is possible for a boy with a mind full of mistaken ideas to throw them aside one after the carry this load until we are threescore other as he proceeds on his journey, it and ten. We cannot fight this battle on suddenly pounding into the midst is also true that he runs great risks continually for half a century. But and will probably end his career with really there are no long stretches. Life an armful of regrets and a handful of does not come to us in lifetimes; it

there are more false notions than on to work for it, but you must be careful not to pay too large a price for it. As the servant of a noble man money is exceedingly valuable for it furnishes opportunities to enlarge the scope of charity and benevolence. As the master of a niggardly man it develops the meaner qualities of human

If truth be told, it is, after all, the men of character and not the men of money who have made the world tion, and do not weaken and distract what it is. The fact stands in the yourself by looking forward to things foreground of all thoughtful observation, like a towering monument against the sky. If we were compelled nights to shut down the curtain of to do without the one or the other it would be sheer insanity to dispense with men of character and retain

Money is never filthy unless it makes right to labor for it and your right to get it if you can. You are justified in laying plans for its acquisition, be- the midst or it; or, if concealed for a cause there is a glorious satisfaction | moment breaking forth again with nothing in your old age and your dear ones will be amply provided for. But surface of our peace, and raise up have a care that you do not come to sgitating doubts and fears, without think that your happiness depends on leaving behind a purer joy, a calmet it, because after all is said there are and deeper satisfaction, the best and more happy poor men than happy truest peace which is born of conflict rich men. For that matter, it is a grave error to suppose that money can trial and every cloud of sorrow is the itself make you happy without the possession of other qualities which sble love-a love stronger than death,

related to the progress of the world. it is a noble calling, that of the business man, and one which God looks opon with tender regard. Money and philanthropy are twins, born of the same good mother, two children of beauty and grace. The merchant's work is just as providential as that of the clergyman, and his mission, if he rightly understands it, is just as imthe Holy Spirit are laid on the head of the preacher, and he is thus devot-\*d to a special task, so are the same gands laid on the head of a young man who starts on a business career, and he is laid under solemn obligaions to be useful to his fellows. That s a truth which cannot be too keenly appreciated. We cannot get along without money-making, and the one thing we insist on, therefore is that the money-makers shall be honest in

One of the prettiest and most important teachings of the Holy Scripjure is: To him that soweth rightsousness shall be a sure reward. It foes not say: If you will be good you will have a good time; but it prom-

ises distinctly and specially that we shall reap exactly as we sow. If we sow good seed, we shall reap good things.

We are sowing all the time. Courtesies or ill manners; kind words or rough ones; falsehoods or truths; idle words or wholesome ones; helps or hurts. All these are seeds that bring forth fruit after their kind, and make up our lives-bright and happy or miserable. The fields are the hearts of are friends, and all we meet in

The sowing of righteousness is a habitual, constant, continual, everyday thing. The responsibility with us is, not to aim at great achievements and to get the name of saint or philenthropist, but to keep innocency and to take heed to the thing that is right; that our hearts may be set on good, kind, honorable things, in the smallworld is receiving impressions and say in advance what great consequences may come of an expression of After a while, when the curbstone countenance, a wave of the hand, a had become real soft from being sat tone, a yes or no, an honorable thing, on, "the silver, snarling trumpets 'gan or a meanness. The motive and the to chide," and the "free, open-air, flavor determine the results. And the band concert" was begun. grandest effort may result in nothauthor. So, on the other hand, great him. failure may be a grand triumph of amiability and self-sacrifice.

#### Life's Little Days.

One secret of sweet and happy Christian life is in learning to live mo!" shricked the boy! by the day. It is the long stretches that tire us. We think of life as a kippety, floom, floom, floom-a-diddle!" whole, running on for years, and it chorused the instruments. seems too great for us. We cannot comes only a day at a time. Even Now there is no subject on which to-morrow is never ours till it becomes to-day, and we have nothing whatever the subject of money. It is a good to do with it but to pass down to it a thing to have money and a good thing fair and good inheritance in to-day's work well done and to-day's life well

lived. It is a blessed secret, this of living by the day. Any one can carry his burden, however heavy till nightfall. Anyone can do his work, however hard, for one day. Any one can live sweetly, quietly, patiently, lovingly nature and makes its possessor a mere and purely till the sun goes down. And this is all that life ever really means to us-just one little day. "Do to-day's duty, fight to-day's tempta you cannot see, and could not understand it you saw them." God gives us darkness on our little days. We can not see beyond, and we ought not to try to see beyond. Short horizons make life easier, and give us one of the blessed secrets of brave, L , holy

### Trials.

No dark trials, no ment, can cross our sky without re vealing some spot of heavenly blue in mysterious dispensation can ruffle the and trouble. Behind every storm of beavenly blue of Christ's unchange will enable you to enjoy it and do a love that follows us amid all our wanderings and backslidings amid all our changes of heart and of circumstances, and remains steadfast and unwavering even when our love is suspicious and cold. "I have loved thee with an everlasting love, there fore with loving kindness have I drawn thee;" and every mutation of earth passed away from before that love as the cloud from the sky and the wave from the ocean.-Hugh Mac millan, LL, D.

Character-Building. Character is the wool of nonor from which a coat of mail can be wover that the swiftest arrow of shame of the keenest knife of disrepute cannot pierce. Every thought that enters our mind, every act we do and every word we utter, adds a link to the golden chain of character. The strength of a steam engine can be estimated to within an ounce of its limit, but it is impossible to estimate the fore of a noble character. hardest hearts are softened and the most repulsive dispositions become fascinating. Our failures and our sucesses nelp to form a reputation that may be destroyed by an external force, but the destruction of a character can be effected only by some internal force.

### The Future Is God's.

It has been well said that no man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when to-morrow's burden is added to the burden of to-day that the weight is more than a man can bear. Never load yourselves so, my friends. If you find yourselves so loaded, at least remember that it is your own doing, not God's. He begs you to leave the future to Him, and mind the present.- George MacDon-



The Open Air Concert. 'Of all arts, great music is the art fo raise the soul above all earth/y storms."

With this pretty thought of Leland's n our mind, we went to the band conert-the "open air, free, band contert."

It was "rendered" on a vacant lot, and there were nice, easy places to sit on the curbstones, where the mosest incidents and occasions. All the quitoes could explore your pedal extremities in the gutter and find the taking notes unawares. No one can holes in your stocking without exerting themselves.

So had the boy who was selling leming but the leaving of the impression onade, and all the boys of the immeof the selfishness and ambition of its diate neighborhood who were helping

"Teet-a-teet, tweedle-tweedle, boomta-boom, bing, ta-dodio!" went the concert band!

"Lemmo, lemmo, five a glass, five a glass! Comeupangityerold'coollem-

"Ja-ta, teedeum, teedeum, rippety,

"Chug-chug-a-chug, rip-rip-rip-riprippety-jigerum!" growled a devil-wagof the vehicles.

"Tee-dee, tee-dee-

"Git out o' there! Don't ye see-(Whoa, Bill!) don't ye see yer scarin (Whoa! Whoa, Bill!) my hoss!



AT THE FREE BAND CONCERT. screeched the owner of a plunging equine.

"Lemmo!" "Tee-dee!" Whoa, Bill!" 'Chug-a-chug!"

"Move on with yer ice-wagon!" from the crowd.

Chorus-"Good bye, Willie, good bye!"

"Chug, chug, chug chug-chug chug a-chug!" and the odor of gasoline wafts to the curbstone.

Meanwhile the band is toying with "Down Where the Wurzburger Flows!" and the druggist at the cor

ner touches off a gob of red fire! "Oh! Ah!" gasps the crowd in ad miration.

"Tee-dee! Tee-dee! Down where the Wurzburger flows!"

'Please drive ahead a little, mister so I can get through; you are block ing the street!"

"Hurrah! Sic him, Tige! Sic him!

"Tee-dee-tee-daddyum! Tige grabs Nero by the left hind leg; there are a series of howls and yells

from dogs and people, intersticed with: "Boomp-a-te-boomp, a-tee boomp

tiddy-ad-i-omp! Then a boy falls off the end of dray wagon, two carriages are backed into each other, a woman screams, an

other devil wagon hikes into view-"Lemmo! Lemmo! Right heretergit verlemmofiveaglass!" "Slap!"

"I got him that time right on my wrist," giggles a young thing in a screen-door waist.

"Buzzity, clickety, bingity, bingity bingity!" and a street car whizzes by -"but the band plays on." Yes, music is most inspiring, but

open-air free band concerts are especially so. If you don't believe it try the curbstone yourself.

#### 333 The Stage.

It is all the world.

The mirror of life. The cynosure of bald-headed row. Every man is an actor, and, a isual, some are bad.

At the end of the play of life, the curtain falls. Let us hope for ap proval, rather than cat-calls, at the

If one's part on the stage is but to sweep away the dancer's sand, 'twil be more credit to do it well. A vulgar play is an abomination to

All men cannot be stars, but each

may strive to be one. Make-up is all well enough on the

stage, but in life naturalness in presess best. Make your hit while the iron is

High klekers on the stage are spi

to be high rollers of it, Curtain!



"You spoke very admiringly of that Ann's courage." "Yes."

"But he never was a soldier or a Breman or a policeman." "No. But he eats mushrooms that he has gathered himself."

Befitting a Waltress. Polk-She took part in your ama eur play, didn't she?

Jolk-Oh, yes, she took the part of waitress. Polk-What sort of a costume di she wear?

Jolk-A fetching one, of course. HIS PRAYER ANSWERED.



Lonely Individual-Ah, but I am lonely. I have lost forever my dear Angela. I would that some good fairy might send me a fair damsel to hold once more on my lap.



Making Game of Him. A solitary sportsman, his gun under his arm, was wandering down a coun-(ry lane when he met a small boy making for school.

"I say, my boy," he remarked, "Is there anything to shoot down here?" The boy looked around for a moment, and then answered, with eagerness:

"Yes, sir. There's the schoolmaster coming over the hill."

### Not to be Repeated.

"Yes" the old Indian fighter was taying, "the whole secret of success agin the red varmints wuz jest to profit by experience. The Sioux done somethin' to me once that they could never do again."

terestel youth.

### "They scalped me."

Home Violence. Sam-Yeas, Ah was in de great vaitahs' strike.

Remus-Was dere eny violence?

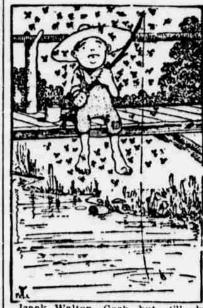
Sam-Ah shud say so. When Ah went home widout eny wages mah wife rapped me wid a broomstick en shet de doah.

### That Was Better.

The draper-Did you find out what that gentleman wanted? The assistant-No; but I found out

what he didn't want. The draper-What? How dare you! The assistant-And I sold it to him -Stray Stories.

And They Got Off at Jersey.



Izaak Walton-Gosh, but I'll bet Noah was glad there was only two skeeters on the Ark!

Facts Are Stubborn Things. Prohibitionist - What particular facts against water can you quote.

Col. Kentuck-Guess you haven't been reading what happened at Hepp ner, St. Louis and those places lately. bave you?

Had a Substitute. Dinglebetz-Is your friend Wiggleworth a deep thinker? Snicklefritz-No.

agrried.

for the further improvement of the farms. The testimony of our correspondents on the higher trend of values should inspire greater confidence than ever before in the merits. of Eastern farming, where we have the best cash markets in the world at our doors. Land in some of our Eastern and New England states is now relatively among the best business propositions in the country." We fully agree with the above, that

tionately

The Eastern farmer cannot, of

course, compete with the Western ag-

riculturist in the great crops, but

for farm produce which comes under

the head of "truck farming." fully

equal to the productive ability of the

Eastern states. In fact, the only dif-

ficulty which the New England farm-

er has experienced during the past

two or three years has been the same

to enable him to produce and harvest

his products. Says the American

Agriculturist's special investigation

should make an impress for the better-

ment of the farmer's financial stand-

ing. Granted that the splendid agri-

cultural lands of the West are most

attractive propositions, yet there is

no reason why the progressive farmer

of the Middle and Eastern states

should not be accorded due considera-

tion from banks and business inter-

ests generally, when loans are sought

Agriculturist of July 25:

the Eastern farmer is entitled to every consideration at the hands of the banks. Twenty years ago he was lending his money to build up the agricultural lands of the West. A few years of protection has enabled the Western agriculturist to either pay off his mortgage entirely, or reduce it high tariff is, without question or exmost materially, and now the farmers of the West have money to loan, and and saving factor in the business their banks are bulging not only with the necessary currency needed in the moving crops, but to loan on good security, to even the East if it should be wanted. But our New England banks, too, and those of the Middle the expense of the wage earner.-Val-States are bulging with the savings of ley Mills (Tex.) Protectionist

munity are earning good and continual ( received in 1902 from their employers wages. This has been the condition the sum of \$193.552,175, which was the men of money. now for several years under our pres | nearly sixteen millions more than

quence farmers have gotten better. The average carnings of the individprices for their products, and their hal workers in all industries was lands have enhanced in value propor \$459.98, which was \$10.29 more than in the previous year. In six of the nine leading industries of the State more was done, either through the employment of more hands or through

when the factory hands of the New England and Middle States are fully and in 1901. employed there is always a demand The fertilizing manufacturing industry shows the largest per cent, increase in the total amount of wages paid out-81.84. The shoe industry entire farming community of these is next with an increase of 28-12 per cent. Employes of the malt distilleries command the highest wages, averaging \$862 a year. Workers on models, lasts and patterns in the shoe as that of the Western agriculturistnamely, inability to get sufficient help industry are next with average yearly

earnings of \$740.42. Such figures as these prove that there is little justification for the cry "Slowly but surely the values of that has been raised frequently by farm lands in the Eastern and New agitators, that the wage-earners were England states are improving. The not getting their share of the general

## evidences arrayed in the American prosperity.-Albany Evening Journal.

The Reason for Tariff Wars. Protection is held responsible for tariff wars, but the action of France in imposing discriminating duties on American meats because the manufacturers of that country wish to force upon us wares which we do not want, shows where the responsibility lies, Tariff wars are entirely chargeable to the desire to push upon other people what can not be consumed at home Protection only aims at self sufficingness. When that idea is strictly adhered to no on has a right to take offense. It is a illogical for a nation to find fault with another nation because it refuses to buy goods from it as it would be for a Kearny street shop keeper to call people who refused to buy from him hard names. - San Fran-

# cisco Chroniele.

Guilty! The Springfield Republican thinks the "high tariff is now on trial, as never before, as the great causative and saving factor in the business pros-

perity of the nation." The verdict will be "Guilty." The tenuating circumstances, "the causative

## prosperity or the nation."

Weakest Point. Free trade's weakest point is that it would cheapen things for the rich at